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SUBJECT: FIVE-POWER INITIATIVE ON CYPRUS

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1. ACCORDING TO A QUAI OFFICIAL WHO ACCOMPANIED MERILLON TO FOUR-POWER MEETING IN LONDON ON CYPRUS, FRENCH IMPRESSION FOLLOWING THE MEETING IS THAT THE TIME IS NOT REPEAT NOT RIPE NOW FOR AN INITIATIVE ON CYPRUS. THE QUAI HAS SENT A BRIEFING PAPER TO FOREIGN MINISTER DE GUIRINGAUD ON THE LONDON MEETING, ASKING FOR HIS VIEWS, BUT THE ASSUMPTION IS THAT GUIRINGAUD WILL AGREE THERE IS NOTHING TO BE DONE FOR THE MOMENT.

2. THE FRENCH INFORMED THE CANADIANS ON SEPTEMBER 14 TAT TEY SAW NO REPEAT NO NEED FOR A MEETING IN NEW YORK SUCH AS THE CANADIANS HAVE PROPOSED. THE FRENCH
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HAVE ALSO DISCOURAGED THE BRITISH FROM TRYING TO ORGANIZE AN EXPERT-LEVEL MEETING AS A FOLLOW-UP TO THE LONDON MEETING. THE FRENCH DO NOT EXCLUDE DISCUSSION OF A POSSIBLE CYPRUS INITIATIVE DURING THE UNGA, IN THE CORRIDORS AND POSSIBLY SOME OTHER FORMAT, BUT FOR THE MOMENT THEY DO NOT REPEAT NOT BELIEVE AN INITIATIVE IS ADVISABLE.

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